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SUBJECT:OFFER OF U.S. ASSISTANCE IN SEARCH FOR MISSING
AMERICAN

REF: VANCOUVER'S 621, 628, 643

EMBASSY IS FAMILIAR WITH FACTS PERTAINING TO DIS-
APPEARANCE OF MR. JAMES D. MILLER ON SEPTEMBER 22 WHILE ON
HUNTING TRIP IN WESTERN CANADA (SEE REFTELS). MILLER'S
WIFE, WHO IS NOW ON THE SCENE OF HIS DISAPPEARANCE, HAS RE-
QUESTED THAT CANADIAN SEARCH AND RESCUE EFFORTS BE SUPPLE-
MENTED BY U.S. S&R FACILITIES. MRS. MILLER'S REQUEST IS
SUPPORTED BY SENATOR SCHWEIKER AND CONGRESSMAN BIESTER OF
PENNSYLVANIA.

EMBASSY IS REQUESTED, THEREFORE, TO APPROACH GOC AND
OFFER ASSISTANCE OF UNITED STATES IN ONGOING SEARCH EFFORTS.
IN MAKING APPROACH, EMBASSY SHOULD EXPRESS OUR APPRECI-
ATION FOR EXCELLENT EFFORTS AND COOPERATION BY CANADIAN S&R
PERSONNEL WHO HAVE BEEN CONDUCTING SEARCH SINCE LATE SEPTEMBER.
IT IS POSSIBLE THAT USAF S&R CAPABILITIES COULD BE
USEFUL IN SEARCH. IF GOC IS AMENABLE TO OFFER OF U.S.

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ASSISTANCE, APPROPRIATE U.S. S&R AGENCIES WOULD BE IN TOUCH

IMMEDIATELY WITH THEIR CANADIAN COUNTERPARTS TO DETERMINE
SUITABLE STEPS.

REQUEST EMBASSY REPORT RESULTS OF APPROACH TO GOC AS

SOON AS POSSIBLE AND INFORM MRS. MILLER WHO PRESENTLY
STAYING AT SPORTSMAN HOTEL, WATSON LAKE, YUKON TERRITORY.
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